## ABSTRACT

AN INTRA-GASTRIC BALLOON COATED IN PARYLENE, A METHOD OF FABRICATING SUCH A BALLOON AND OF USING PARYLENE TO COAT AN INTRA-GASTRIC BALLOON

The invention relates to an expandable intra-gastric balloon (1) for treating obesity, for implanting in the stomach of a patient in order to reduce the volume of the stomach, said balloon (1) comprising at least one flexible bag (2) presenting an inside face (2A) and an opposite, outside face (2B), said inside and outside faces (2A, 2B) forming the surface of the at least one flexible bag (2), the balloon being characterized in that at least a portion of said surface (2A, 2B) is covered by a coating (6, 6') comprising parylene.

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